

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Pacific Bell (U 1001 C), a Corporation, for Authority to Categorize Business Inside Wire Repair, Interexchange Carrier Directory Assistance, Operator Assistance Service and Inmate Call Control Service as Category III Services.

Application 98-02-017
(Filed February 9, 1998)

In the Matter of the Application of Pacific Bell (U 1001 C), a Corporation, for Authority to Categorize Residential Inside Wire Repair as a Category III Service.

Application 98-04-048
(Filed April 21, 1998)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
TO RETAIN INFORMATION UNDER SEAL**

Pacific Bell's studies containing detailed investment and cost information and market data containing volumes and revenues deemed confidential and proprietary was placed under seal, pursuant to a May 13, 1998 Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) ruling. Such information was to remain under seal until May 13, 1999 and, during that period, not made accessible or disclosed to anyone other than Commission staff except on the execution of a mutually accepted nondisclosure agreement between Pacific Bell and any interested party or on further order or ruling of the Commission, the Assigned Commissioner, the assigned ALJ, or the ALJ then designated as Law and Motion Judge.

By Decision (D.) 99-06-053, dated June 9, 1999, the Commission issued a final decision on this consolidated matter which, among other matters, extended

the time period for keeping all data placed under seal until June 9, 2000, one year after this consolidated proceeding has been closed.

Subsequently, with the filing of the Office of Ratepayer Advocates' Petition for Modification of D.99-06-053, this consolidated proceeding has been reopened bringing under further scrutiny the studies and market data previously placed under seal. Given that the studies and market data placed under seal has previously been determined to be confidential and proprietary, such data should remain under seal while this consolidated proceeding remains open.

Good cause appearing, **IT IS RULED** that the information placed under seal in this consolidated proceeding shall remain sealed and not made accessible or disclosed to anyone other than the Commission staff except on the execution of a mutually acceptable nondisclosure agreement or on further order or ruling of the Commission or the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) then designated as the Law and Motion Judge, the assigned ALJ, or the assigned Commissioner.

Dated May 7, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MICHAEL J. GALVIN

Michael J. Galvin
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling to Retain Information Under Seal on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 7, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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